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Re: **Monthly Progress Report No. 61**
Combined Sewer Overflow/Stormwater Outfall Investigation
Diamond Alkali Superfund Site (Lower Passaic River Study Area)

Dear Ms. Yeh:

Please find attached the Monthly Progress Report for work performed as part of the Combined Sewer Overflow/Stormwater Outfall Investigation for the Diamond Alkali Superfund Site (Lower Passaic River Study Area). This progress report has been prepared pursuant to Section IX Paragraph 53 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Occidental Chemical Corporation, Index No. CERCLA-02-2011-2016.

In accordance with the October 20, 2016 USEPA letter to Tierra, activities related to this Order will cease and the Order will be terminated upon receipt of USEPA's Notice of Completion. As a result, this will be the final Monthly Progress Report.

If you have any questions, please call me at 732.246.5920.

Sincerely,

Enrique Castro for

Brian Mikucki
Senior Environmental Scientist
On behalf of Occidental Chemical Corporation
(as successor to Diamond Shamrock Chemicals Company)

Enclosures

Cc: Ben Lippard, Vinson & Elkins
Juan Somoano, Glenn Springs Holdings

**MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT NO. 61
COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW/STORMWATER OUTFALL INVESTIGATION
DIAMOND ALKALI SUPERFUND SITE (LOWER PASSAIC RIVER STUDY AREA)
WORK PERIOD: OCTOBER 2016**

Actions Taken Towards Achieving Compliance with the Order

- ☐ None during this reporting period.

USEPA and Other Information/Correspondence Received

- ☐ On October 20, 2016 Tierra received a letter from USEPA stating that no further tasks, activities, or deliverables need to be performed under the CSO/SWO Administrative Order. This letter effectively terminates the CSO/SWO Investigation.

Sampling or Testing Results Received or Generated During the Course of Implementing the Work

- ☐ None during this reporting period.

Future Plans, Actions and Data Scheduled for November 2016 and December 2016

- ☐ Per the October 20th letter, USEPA plans to issue a Notice of Completion for the CSO Program, under Paragraph 117 of the AOC.

Actual or Potential Violations, Other Problems Encountered and Corrective Actions

- ☐ None during this reporting period.

Delays Encountered or Anticipated and Mitigation Actions

- ☐ None during this reporting period.